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<b>IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</b>	<i>Application Number</i>	09/720,252
	<i>Filing Date</i>	April 12, 2001
	<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Regine HELIBRONN, et al
	<i>Group Art Unit</i>	1636
	<i>Examiner Name</i>	G. Leffers, Jr.
	<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	2923-104
<i>Title of the Invention:</i> RECOMBINANT HERPES VIRUSES FOR PREPARING RECOMBINANT ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRUSES		

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 22, 2002, Applicants present the following amendments and remarks, and respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections.

Marked-up copies of the original text of the amended claims are attached to this amendment. Material inserted is indicated by redlining (insertion) and material deleted is indicated by strike-out (~~strike-out~~).